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CHANNEL FILLED; SURF-CASTERS CLUB USES 3000 BAGS; OVER 100 WORK

Group Will Reassemble
This Sunday To Reconstruct
Dam; Selectman Kidder
Heads Club

Over one hundred members of the Lower Cape Surf-Casters Club and others assembled Sunday morning, June 2nd, to dam up with sand bags the channel that for the first time in many years has made Mononoy Point an Island. Starting soon after dawn the group under the leadership of Selectman Edwin Kidder, President of the Surf-Casters Club, labored throughout the day filling approximately three thousand bags donated by the state. Beach Wagons loaned by some of the members trucked the bags a short distance to the place where the channel about one hundred and twenty feet wide had broken through during the winter assisted by heavy gales near Little Beach. The channel which was completely blocked with sand bags during the day had completely cut off at high tide Mononoy Point from the Mainland isolating the

NEW BUSINESSES IN TOWN;
JOHNSON'S & WITHERELL'S
OPEN

Two new businesses, both candy shops, will be found on Main Street this summer. Johnson's Cape Cod Candies has already opened a shop in the former Western Union Office next to the New York Sandwich Shop, and Witherell's Glass House Goodies will open June 15th in a shop next to Smith's Drug Store in the old Post Office Block. Both will offer an extensive variety of candies.

4TH CELEBRATION PLANNED

Under the sponsorship of the American Legion an active program is already being planned for the 4th of July. Like last year there will be a full program of sports probably including Yachting events, Baseball Game and a swimming race. The annual Band Concert and a parade are also being arranged. It is planned that the dedication-- con. col. 3
Chatham Coast Guard Station, Camps, and the various fishing places along the beach line.
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ASSISTANT EDITOR

MARRIES

Miss Alice Cahoon, Assistant Editor of "The Chatham Chatter", since it's first issue was married to Mr. John Atwood of West Barnstable Saturday night in a ceremony at Hyannis. Miss Cahoon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Cahoon of this town, attended Chatham High School and graduated in the Class of '35.

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4th Celebration

of Borube Airport will take place during the afternoon. Officials are attempting to arrange for an air meet. The National Airports Historical Society has taken an interest in the event and a cachet will be stamped on all airmail letters.

Miss Catherine Nickerson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Nickerson is planning to attend a school for dental assistants this fall. The Board of Motor Sales Band played at the Partsmen and Service managers annual ladies night, at the Ford plant in Somerville.

Items Of Interest

The graduation of the Class of 1940, Chatham High School, will take place at the Chatham Theatre at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon, June 14th.

The New York Sandwich Shop reopened recently.

A Health Clinic for 19 pre-school children was held last Saturday at the school building. Drs. Keene and Hopkins examined the children with Mrs. Marion McNece, school nurse assisting.

Mr. and Mrs. S. de Kosloski of Philadelphia are at their summer home.

Mrs. John Wells and her two sons are expected to arrive here early next week.

The ninth annual Field Day of the Chatham High School was held this morning at Veterans Field under the direction of Mr. Benjamin Bassett and Mrs. Annie Eldredge.

Mr. Harry Forgeron has returned to town after spending the winter studying at the School of Journalism of New York University in New York City.

Two new stoves, one gas and the other electric have been installed in the home economics room at the Chatham High School, recently. They will be used by students under the direction of Miss Rosamond Honry, instructor in Home Economics.

Mr. Horace Reynolds, builder, has constructed during the winter a new residence for Mr. Leeds in North Chatham.

Also during the winter Mr. Reynolds has reconstructed on Stage Neck a house, originally brought over from Welfleet, for Prof. and Mrs. George Forsytho.

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The work of the volunteers was assisted by a sand plow owned by Mr. Fred Crowell of Harwichport which piled large amounts of sand onto the dam. Members of the club will reassemble next Sunday to reinforce the dam with the two thousand bags of sand still remaining.

The Chatham Town Team defeated Orleans 6 to 1 in a game played on Veterans Field on Wednesday.

Book Reviews-- by Alice B. Gilbert
The Scarlet Pimpernel (By Baroness Orczy, Grosset & Dunlap, Publishers New York) is a exciting story that occurs during the French revolution. As you well know the French Revolution was a time when all the French Aristocrats and Royalists that the people could get their hands on were put to death at the guillotine. Practically every day a mysterious scrap of paper would be found by a man with a note saying the Englishmen were at work. It was signed by a star shaped flower which the English call the Scarlet Pimpernel. Within a few hours an Aristocrat that was going to the guillotine would escape. This was naturally credited to the elusive Scarlet Pimpernel. The French are naturally very mad at this interruption from an Englishman so they try to capture him. Who is the Scarlet Pimpernel? Why does he want these people to escape the guillotine? Is he captured? These and many other things fill the book with a lot more excitement than you have bargained for. I recommend this delightful book.

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What Can Be Done--

The fine project undertaken suc-
cessfully by the Surf-Casters Club
is an example of what can be accom-
plished when community spirit pre-
vails. A large number of Chatham
residents assisted by others from
towns as far away as Taunton have
shown this community spirit by
turning out voluntarily to fill up
the channel which isolated Monomoy
Point. With community spirit and
cooperation Chatham can do nearly
any thing it wants. We congratulate
the Lower Cape Surf-Casters Club
in taking the lead in such a nec-
essary civic project.

The Editor Remarks--

As of yet the Chatter has not in
its possession any definite facts
concerning the reason for the tragic
death of Dr. Minnie Buck. There-
fore this editorial is not on what
happened but what should be done to
prevent other similar tragedies. It
is our firm belief, knowing not

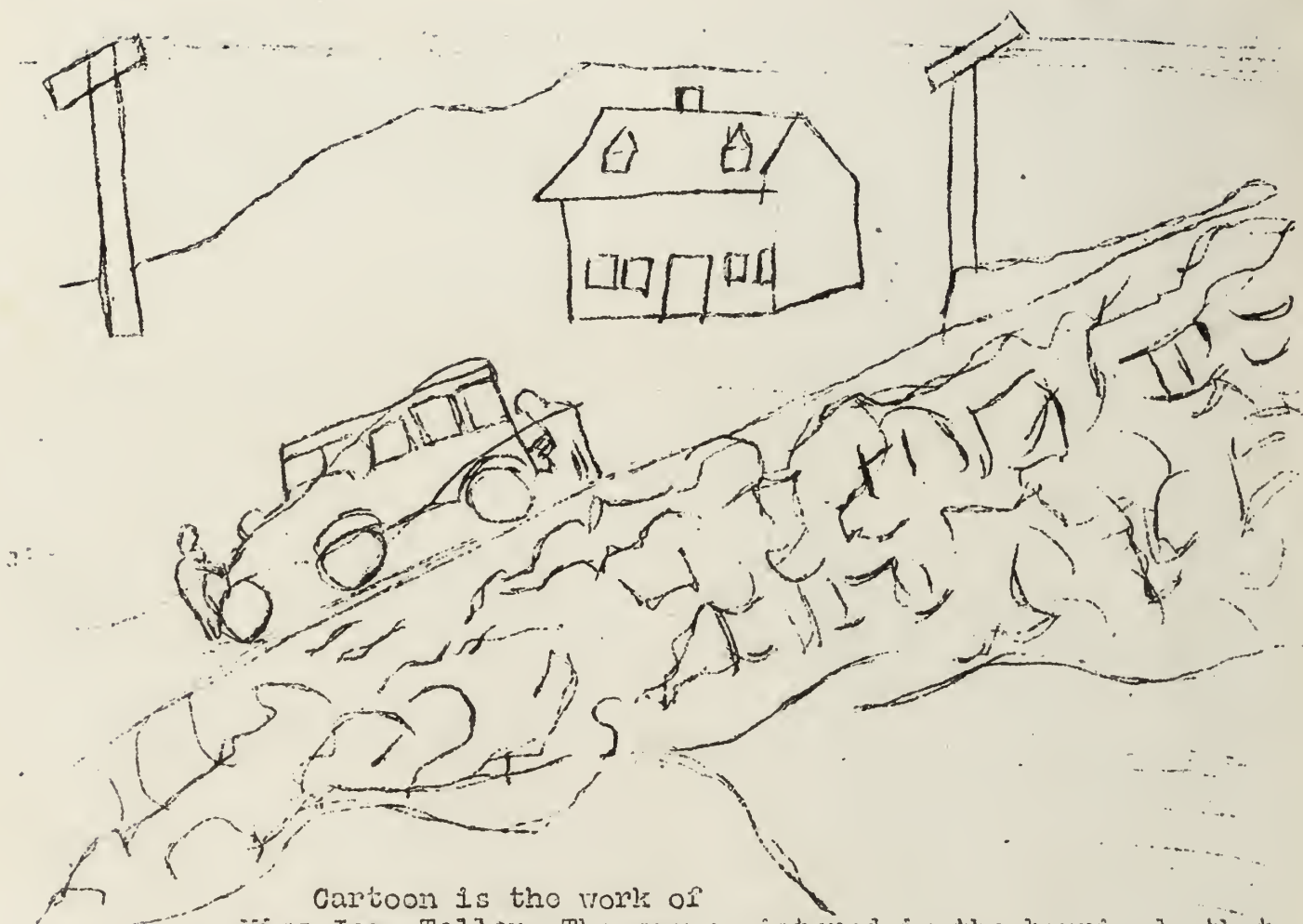
whether the recent explosion was
a result of negligence or just an
accident, that unless it can be
guaranteed to citizens of this
town that such an explosion will
not occur again that gas should be
cut off from this town.

This year, like last year, The
Milkwood Printing Company, pub-
lishers of "The Chatham Chatter",
will issue The Chatham Guide book
containing information that will
be of help to tourists visiting
Chatham. The book will be dis-
tributed beginning July the four-
th, in the various stores in town
free of charge. Departing from
The Milkwood Printing Company's
usual policy, advertisements will
be accepted but not solicited
and those accepted will be only
ones that will assist visitors to
the town. Each ad will cost 25¢
and no more than one ad will be
accepted from any one company. The
ads will be three lines long and
23 spaces wide. No ads. bigger
than this will be accepted.

Hats off to Mr. Joshua Nickerson
and others who persuaded the New
Haven to keep the Old Colony rail-
way running for the summer at
least. We suggest that those of
you who are interested in the re-
gal battle going on with the
Old Colony Commuters League, 75
Federal Street, Boston, Mass. You
may become a member for 25¢.

We believe that notice should be
given of the continued success of
Miss Helen Balfour at the horse
shows at the school she is atten-
ding in Wellesley. We congratulate
her.

Associate Editor Alice Gilbert
will be in charge of World's
Fair news this year continuing
the position she held last year.



Cartoon is the work of Miss Joan Teller. The scene pictured is the barricade that the Lower Cape Surf-Casters Club has erected to connect Monomoy Point with the Mainland. Story page 1.

The General Electric Exhibit-By Frank B. Gilbert

The two things in the General Electric Exhibit that attracted the most attention were the House of Magic and Man-made lightning. In the House of Magic you see sound and hear light. This is done by an arrangement of electric eyes and other things. They have a little train controlled by the human voice. The control of the train is completely based on the amount of syllables in the words you say. One will stop it, two will send it backwards and three or more will send it forwards. Several other interesting things in the show are a wheel run by electric light, a device that could float metals in the air by wing, and different kinds of magnetism. The most humorous part of the demonstration is when they made illusions with light. They turn on a certain light and your teeth become green and bright red and then change to a horrible dark shade. A certain light called Scroboscope will make fast moving objects seem to move slowly or even stand still. They also have artificial fever machines.

Man-made lightning proves that the Trylon protects the Perisphere and anything within a quarter of a mile by showing you a miniature model of it being struck by lightning. They have several 5 and 10 million bolts of lightning. The deafening roar can be heard a good distance away from the demonstration. There are many other interesting things in the building.